Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 93N-0405]

New Monographs and Revisions of Certain Food Chemicals Codex Monographs; Final Approval by the Committee on Food Chemicals Codex; Availability

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of certain new and revised Food Chemicals Codex monographs. These monographs have been approved by the National Academy of Sciences/Institute of Medicine (NAS/IOM) Committee on Food Chemicals Codex (the committee) for inclusion in the fourth edition of the Food Chemicals Codex, which is scheduled for release in March 1996. Until the fourth edition is published, copies of the monographs may be obtained upon request to NAS/IOM.

ADDRESSES: Submit written requests for copies of the Food Chemicals Codex monographs to the NAS/IOM Committee on Food Chemicals Codex, National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20418.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Fatima N. Johnson, Committee on Food Chemicals Codex, Food and Nutrition Board, National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20418, 202– 334–2580; or

Paul M. Kuznesof, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS– 247), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, 202–418– 3009.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA provides research contracts to NAS/IOM to support the preparation of the Food Chemicals Codex, a compendium of specification monographs for substances used as food ingredients. Before the inclusion of any specifications in a Food Chemicals Codex publication, an announcement is published in the Federal Register inviting all interested parties to comment and to make suggestions for consideration.

In the **Federal Register** of January 4, 1994 (59 FR 307), FDA announced that the committee was considering several new monographs and monograph revisions. The following monographs have now been approved by the committee for inclusion in the fourth edition:

I. New Monographs

Acesulfame potassium Glyceryl monooleate

II. Current Revised Monographs

Calcium carbonate (lead and heavy metals limits) Caramel (numerous revisions) Carnauba Wax

No changes from what was previously offered for public review in the **Federal Register** of January 4, 1994, resulted from comments received on these monographs. Individual copies of these monographs are available from NAS/IOM (address above) until the fourth edition of the Food Chemicals Codex is published in 1996.

FDA emphasizes, however, that it will not consider adopting and incorporating any of the committee's new monographs and monograph revisions into FDA's regulations without ample opportunity for public comment. If FDA decides to propose the adoption of changes and new monographs that have received final approval by the committee, such opportunity for public comment will be announced in a notice published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: February 26, 1995.

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Deputy Director for Systems and Support, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition. [FR Doc. 95–5673 Filed 3–7–95; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4160–01–F

Health Care Financing Administration

Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Clearance

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration, HHS.

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), Department of Health and Human Services, has submitted to OMB the following proposals for the collection of information in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (Public Law 96–511).

1. Type of Request: Extension; Title of Information Collection: Survey Report Form; Form No.: HCFA-1557; Use: This survey form is an instrument used by the State agency to record data collected in order to determine compliance with the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments. This information is needed for laboratory certification and recertification; Respondents: Business or other for profit, Federal Government, State or local government; Number of Respondents: 30,225; Total Annual

Responses: 30,225; Total Annual Hours Requested: 16,321.5.

2. Type of Request: Extension; Title of Information Collection: Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments Application forms; Form Nos.: HCFA–14 and –116; Use: The application must be completed by entities performing laboratory testing on human specimens for health purposes; Respondents: Business or other for profit, Federal Government, State or local government; Number of Respondents: 16,000; Total Annual Responses: 16,000; Total Annual Hours Requested: 20,000.

3. Type of Request: New; Title of Information Collection: Quality Assurance for Phase II of the Home **Health Agency Prospective Payment** Demonstration; Form No.: HCFA-R-74; Use: This instrument will be used to collect information to implement an outcome-based quality assurance program to monitor the quality of care provided by agencies participating in Phase II of the Home Health Agency Prospective Payment Demonstration; Respondents: Business or other for profit, nonprofit institutions; Number of Respondents: 29,427 (episodes); Total Annual Responses: 58,854; Total Annual Hours Requested: 10,152.

Additional Information or Comments: Call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 966–5536 for copies of the clearance request packages. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections should be sent within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB Desk Officer designated at the following address: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: February 27, 1995.

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National Institutes of Health

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Closed Meetings

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following Heart, Lung, and Blood Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meetings:

Name of SEP: Coagulation, Platelets and Thrombosis in Sickle Cell Disease. Date: March 29, 1995.